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#### October 30, 2022

#### **Reformation Sunday**

Welcome to St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. If you are a guest or visitor with us today, we welcome you and invite you to come and worship with us again. Please take the time to introduce yourself to Pastor Hayes, and we hope to see you again soon.

Remember that the Worship Service begins when you enter. As the Music for Meditation begins, you are invited to join in quiet, preparation time for worship. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

#### **Liturgy – Divine Service Setting Three** (Page 184)

Opening Hymn: 647 "Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head" Hymn of the Day: 954 "We All Believe in One True God" Distribution Hymn: 617 "O Lord, We Praise Thee"

**Distribution Hymn:** 585 "Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide" **Distribution Hymn:** 661 "The Son of God Goes Forth to War"

Closing Hymn: 656 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please e-mail prayer requests to Pastor Hayes at **pastor.hayes@outlook.com**. Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time. **Angie Reinert, Lula Stuenkel, Marilyn Ohlde, Loraine Oldehoeft, Lorna Heitman, & Bill Burger** (in the nursing home)

Acolyte this Sunday - Liam Voelker

Acolyte next Sunday - Greyson Ohlde

Ushers today - \*Evan Bott, Lance Gerleve, Tyler Ohlde, & Conner Ohlde

Ushers next Sunday - \*John Bott, Ryan Stuenkel, Brady Kolle, &

Mason Tiemeyer

LYF Fellowship Hour today & Nov. 6th - Sophia, Ethan, & Aiden

LYF Fellowship Hour Nov. 13th & 20th - Elijah & Daniel

#### **Upcoming Events**

**October 30** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Children's Sunday School

November 3 5:30 p.m. Midweek/Confirmation

6:30 p.m. Mixed Choir Rehearsal 7:15 p.m. Men's Choir Rehearsal

**November 6** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class and Children's Sunday School

2:00 p.m. St. John Men's Club Trap Shoot

#### **Announcements**

- \* There will be a congregational gathering of food items for the Washington County Food Bank from October 30th November 13th. Boxes for donations will be in the narthex. Suggested items are: cereal, cake mixes, boxed mac 'n' cheese, canned fruit and vegetables, canned tuna and chicken, along with other staples.
- \* Immanuel Lutheran Laymen's League (Hermansberg-Bremen) is holding their Annual Pancake Feed **today, October 30th**, from 4-8 p.m. There will be a free-will offering. The parish hall is handicapped accessible. The church is located 1 mile east, 2 1/2 miles north of Bremen.
- \* The men of St. John are invited to the annual St. John Men's Club trap shoot on **Sunday, November 6th**, behind the parish hall. The event will begin at 2 p.m. and will include a devotional, Christian men's fellowship, and refreshments, along with a recreational trap shoot. Bring your lawn chairs, extra clay pigeons, and your shotguns to participate. Beginners and experienced shooters welcome.
- \* Calling all parents (past, present, and future) Pastor would like to gauge interest for a Bible class on parenting. The class would run on the six Wednesdays leading up to Ash Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. (1/11-2/25). Please pre-signup by text or email to Pastor that you will attend. Open to all. Topics will include: What does Biblical wisdom teach us about parenting? How can we instill in our children a love for God and his ways? What about discipline and nurture? [Note: This will NOT be a space to judge one another but a safe space to build one another up in Christ and share our mutual burdens: "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2).]
- \* Pastor Koch will be leading his door-to-door ministry at Light of the World Lutheran in De Soto on Nov. 12th. Our youth (6th grade or older) is invited to join him for any and/or all of these. They not only share the gospel and study God's Word, but they capitalize on the trans-congregational nature of our church body and establish good relations with one another. Transportation will be available.
- \* CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Blessed Reformation! Study Joshua 15-19 on Sharper Iron's "The Promised Land Delivered" (weekdays at 8 a.m.), finish the book of Daniel and begin the book of James on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), and worship with us in Daily Chapel weekdays at 10 a.m. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org and the KFUO Radio app!

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His Table those who trust His words, repent all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily, according to Holy Scripture, do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from communing with us until such a time as they are properly instructed.

A short, more detailed explanation of our Confessional practice is available from our Ushers or Elders. If you would like to learn more about the Sacrament of the Altar and our confessional position, I would be happy to visit with you.

-Rev. Joshua Hayes, Pastor, St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

In preparation for Holy Communion, you may use the following statements as part of your self-examination:

- I admit that I am a sinner. (1 John 1:8-10)
   I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, from Satan and death. (Acts 4:10-12; John 14:6)
- ☐ I desire to live as God wants me to. (John 14:15; 1 John 2:6)
- ☐ I am sure of my eternal salvation because Jesus died for me and rose again. (John 3:16; Romans 8:14; & 1 John 5:11-12)
- □ I believe the Risen Christ is really present in Holy Communion and that with the bread and wine I receive His Body and Blood. (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 4:22-24; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; Luke 22:17-20)
- I forgive those who have wronged me.

## MORNING PRAYER

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life my please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.



**Introit** (Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46)

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame.

I will bless the Lord at | all times;\*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast | in the Lord;\*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;\*

I will teach you the fear | of the Lord.

The Lord redeems the life of his | servants;\*

none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame.

## **Collect for Reformation Sunday**

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

<sup>6</sup> Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup> And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

## Epistle Reading: Romans 3:19-28

- <sup>19</sup> Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup> For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.
- 21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.
- <sup>27</sup> Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup> For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

## Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:12-19

- <sup>12</sup> [Jesus said:] "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. <sup>13</sup> For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, <sup>14</sup> and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. <sup>15</sup> He who has ears to hear, let him hear
- <sup>16</sup> "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,
  - 17 ""We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn."
- <sup>18</sup> For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' <sup>19</sup> The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

As We Gather...

# The Son of God Has Set Us Free from Sin and Death by His Grace

"Wisdom is justified by her deeds" (Matthew 11:19), and the true Wisdom of God, Christ Jesus the incarnate Son, justifies us by His deeds. He prepares His way by the preaching of repentance, but He has suffered the violence of the Law and voluntarily handed Himself over to violent men, that we might eat and drink with Him in His Kingdom and "remain in the house forever" (John 8:35). For He is "a friend of tax collectors and sinners" (Matthew 11:19), and He has rescued us by His grace from the slavery of sin and death. By the proclamation of His eternal Gospel "to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people" (Revelation 14:6). "the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law" (Romans 3:21), "that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus" (Romans 3:26). And by hearing the Gospel of Christ Jesus, "whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith" (Romans 3:25), "you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31–32).

# \*Pictorial Directory Update\*

ADDITIONAL PORTRAIT DAY due to the number of family/individuals......Universal Church Directories will be here on Friday, November 25th from 2:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Saturday, November 26th from 10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Friday, December 9th from 2:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Please note that if portraits are ordered from the December 9th setting, they will not be here in time for Christmas.

For those who would like to schedule online, you may do so at www.ucdir.com, click on the Photography Appointment Scheduling login. Enter ks140 in the church code field and enter photos in the church password field. Please use two consecutive time slots for families of 6 or more. Online scheduling will be available Monday – Saturday of each week.

Committee members are Annette Bott, Ann Ohlde, Deb Peters and Karla Sweet. If you need help or have questions, please let us know, we would be happy to help!

### **CATECHETICAL REVIEW**

An Explanation of the Small Catechism

## The Sacrament of the Altar

# IV. How to Receive This Sacrament Worthily (Cont.)

#### 305. Who must not be given the Sacrament?

The Sacrament bus not be given to the following:

A. Those who are openly ungodly and unrepentant, including those who take part in non-Christian religious worship.

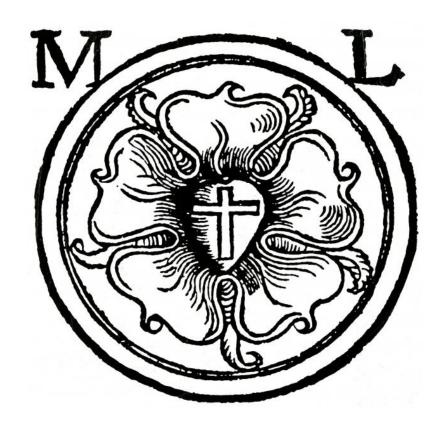
- 966 1 Corinthians 5:11,13 You must not associate with anyone who calls himself a brother but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or a slanderer, a drunkard or a swindler. With such a man do not even eat. ... "Expel the wicked man from among you."
- 967 **1 Corinthians 10:20-21** The sacrifices of pagans are offered to demons, not to God, and I do not want you to be participants with demons. You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons too; you cannot have a part in both the Lord's table and the table of demons.
- B. Those who are unforgiving, refusing to be reconciled. They show thereby that they do not really believe that God forgives them either.
  - 968 **Matthew 6:15** If you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Bible narrative: The unmerciful servant (Matthew 18:21-35).

- C. Those of a different confession of faith, since the Lord's Supper is a testimony of the unity of faith.
- 969 **Acts 2:42** They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
- 970 **1 Corinthians 10:17** Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.
- 971 **1 Corinthians 11:26** Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- 972 **Romans 16:17** Watch out for those who cause divisions and put obstacles in your way that are contrary to the teaching you have learned. Keep away from them.
- D. Those who are unable to examine themselves, such as infants, people who have not received proper instruction, or the unconscious.
  - 973 **1 Corinthians 11:28** A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.

*Note:* Pastors as stewards of the mysteries of God (1 Corinthians 4:1) have the greatest responsibility as to who should be admitted to the Sacrament. Some of the responsibility also rests with the congregation and the communicant.

"He who has ears to hear, let him hear." Matthew 11:15



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